

Durham Environmental Affairs Board
Tuesday, August 22, 2000, 6:00 PM
Durham City Hall, 2nd Floor Committee Room

Meeting Notes

Chairman, Joseph Jackson, called the meeting to order at 6:25 pm. Members in attendance were Jim Conner, Joseph Jackson, Brian Morton, and Dock Terrell. Members with an excused absence were Jerad Bales, Ed Harrison, and Marion Johnson-Thompson. Absent members were Hunter Bacot, and Steve Hiltner. Staff members in attendance were Chuck Hill, Doug Vaughn, and Alex Waddell.

Meeting Notes: The amended meeting notes from the June 27, 2000 were approved by acclamation. The July 25, 2000 meeting notes were approved by acclamation.

Stormwater Update: Doug Vaughn stated the City of Durham Stormwater Ordinance was amended with regard to aid for flood victims. A program for funding 100% of cost of flooding mitigation for residential uses (single family and duplex residences) and a cost-sharing program for non-residential uses was adopted at the August 21, 2000 City Council meeting. Dock Terrell stated no building should be allowed in the flood hazard areas. Joe asked Doug if the funds being collected for impervious surfaces would be used for this purpose. Doug said yes.

Environmental Indicators: Brian Morton reported for the Environmental Indicators sub-committee. He said in approximately 10 months the Environmental Affairs Board would hope to submit a report to the elected officials and the public. The general areas of consideration will be (1) Air Quality, (2) Public Health, (3) Water Quality, (4) Transportation, (5) Solid Waste and Recycling, (6) Education, (7) Biodiversity, (8) Land Use, (9) 2020 Comprehensive Plan Implementation, and (10) Toxic Release Inventory. The proposed schedule includes 6 months to tentatively select specific indicators. The 7th and 8th month would be used test practicality and utility of the indicators in guiding development through the work program and Capital Improvements Program of the City and County of Durham. The 9th and 10th month would be used for writing and preparation of the report. Topics for next months meeting will be Solid Waste and Recycling and 2020 Implementation.

Nominations Committee: Jim Conner reported the nominee for new Chairman was Joe Jackson, and the nominee for Vice Chairman was Brian Morton. Both have agreed to serve in the above mentioned positions. Elections will be held at the next regular meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm

Notes prepared by Alex Waddell, Durham City-County Planning